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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop: Amendment Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2004, applicant hereby elects, Group I, Claims 10-25, which is drawn to a semiconductor device.

Applicant's election is made with traverse on the grounds that the embodiments delineated by the examiner are not patentably distinct and therefore constitute a single invention concept.

An early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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